

## MOODY'S LAST MEETING.

Large Audiences Greeted Him at the Afternoon and Evening Addresses.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Monday afternoon meeting under the direction of Evangelists Moody and Towner, completely filled the main part of the Opera house. The chorus choir was large for a week day service, and sang with spirit, the singing being interspersed with prayer by Pastors Sweet, Selby and Kellogg. Prof. Towner sang several solos with marked tenderness. Mr. Moody's lecture as announced was given on the subject of "The Holy Spirit." He amassed scripture texts, and quoted them freely to prove that the Holy Spirit reveals the sinfulness of the human heart, produces hope, and brings to remembrance the teaching of Christ. Give the spirit the right of way. Admit him to your hearts. Mr. Moody here took a pitcher and poured water into a glass and said: "As the atmosphere is displaced, the water fills the glass." Sin is crowded out when the spirit fills the heart, and there is no room for nothing else. Mr. Moody's address on the "Holy Spirit" evinced a thorough knowledge of the scriptures and produced a profound impression. It is evidently one of his ablest lectures.

## EVENING SERVICE.

At the evening meeting which was well attended, the choir rendered a number of selections. Rev. Sweet invoked Heaven's blessing on the meetings and was followed by Mr. Towner, by request, singing "Paul and Silas," his own composition—a vivid portrayal in song of the miraculous release of Paul and Silas from prison. Following this were songs by the choir and a duet, "Saved by Grace," by Mrs. H. W. Green and Mr. Towner. After further invocation of God's favor by Rev. Kellogg, Mr. Towner sang "Christ Returneth" choir chorus.

Mr. Moody took as the subject of his discourse "The Word of God—The Bible."

He said a great many people who called themselves Christians would sometimes say that they believed only certain parts of the Bible. You must either believe it all or nothing. If men could cut out of the Bible what they didn't like there wouldn't be anything left of it. What the Bible says about Noah, Sodom and Gomorrah, the forty years of wandering in the wilderness with attendant miracles; miraculous feeding of Elijah and even Jonah and the fish, must be accepted because Christ himself gave his endorsement to them by referring to them; the creator of the worlds swinging in space can create a fish large enough to swallow the Rocky mountains, he believed.

He said throw out the supernatural in the Bible and it wouldn't be worth anything to him; when a man goes through the gospel to eradicate the supernatural, the last he will throw out are the first four books of the new testament, which contain records of more supernatural things than any other part of the book. The books of the Old Testament contain the prophecies concerning the birth and resurrection of the Saviour of the world. His great deeds of mercy and acts are superna-

tural—take out the supernatural and you take out the best of the Bible.

The large number of quotations from the Old Testament used in the New, attest the endorsement of Christ and the Apostles to the credibility of the former. You cannot believe the New without believing the Old. Christ said "All scripture is given by inspiration," he said, All.

Told of the man who cut out of the Bible everything in it that the different preachers he heard said was not authentic, and how there was scarcely anything left of it but the covers.

Mr. Moody made a strong plea for the preservation of the Sabbath and its being made for man's spiritual upbuilding. God commanded the Jews to not till the ground but one year of every seven; they disobeyed for 490 years and He brought Nebuchadnezzar to conquer the land and took the Jews into captivity for seventy years, and in that way God Himself gave the soil the rest it required—seven times seventy is 490—exactly.

"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my Word shall not pass away," Christ said. Isn't this true? The Bible is now read in 350 languages; His word is in every part of the world; the Bible is read now more than ever; more Bibles printed in the last eight years than were printed the first 1500 years of the Christian era; never before has the Word of God had such wide circulation; Bible lecture courses are being held and societies are growing and spreading; the great demand today is for those who know how to teach the Bible; in reading the Bible, no matter if you study it for a thousand years, you are ever learning, more and more. It would take a short time for one to tell what they know about the Bible, but it would take a long time to tell what they don't know.

He spoke of how people criticized the Bible who hadn't read it. "If you don't understand parts of the Bible leave them alone and stick to what you do understand."

He spoke of how the prophecies regarding the destruction of Babylon. "The Arab shall not pitch his tent there, and the shepherd shall not gather his fold there," of Nineveh "I will make it the grazing stock of nations" God said and today the museums of London, Paris and other cities are filled with antiquities taken from her ruins.

Mr. Moody also spoke of the "living prophecy of today," the Jews—how Mt. Zion today, in the very center of Jerusalem, is "plowed as a field;" how "they shall not be reckoned among the nations, but should be a distinct people." Other nations easily assimilate with each other, and lose their nationalistic identity, but the Jew can belong to any nation for a thousand years, and at the end of that time is still a Jew.

"The greatest sin of today is the sin of unbelief. The hour will come to everyone when a single promise in the Bible will be worth more than the whole world; it will throw light across a man's pathway better than anything else."

Mr. Moody closed by urging all to put their trust in God and with the benediction.

This afternoon he spoke at the Opera house for an hour, up to the time the

train left, and when he boarded the cars, no doubt, left Las Vegas better than he found it.

## Mr. Moody and the Jews.

## To The Optic.

EAST LAS VEGAS, Feb. 10.—I was more than pleased at the assertion made by Evangelist Moody pertaining to the Jewish people. He verified the prophecies in the holy scriptures by stating that, "no matter where or how, time will never obliterate the identity of the Jew; his will remain a distinct people until their former greatness."

This morning, the writer, a Jew himself, was accosted by a number of gentle friends and to his surprise he found that the impression prevailing in their minds, was an erroneous one, different from that expressed by Mr. Moody, so he concluded that a few lines on this subject just now would be proper. The writer has often wondered why this prevailing prejudice against the Jew, so often found amongst the faithful believers in "Him," who, himself a Jew, suffered for their sins, and died to "save us all."

While, as Mr. Moody says, everywhere, religiously speaking the Jew is a distinct people, where can you find a race more readily assimilated than the Jews on every other point. In this glorious country, the grandest under the sun, the Jew finds his haven of rest and opportunities, social and commercial, on equality with his fellow man and what's the result? It certainly is no discredit to the country, or them. They make as good, yes, even better citizens, than the largest class of foreigners entering these hospitable shores. They exert themselves to become acquainted with our language and customs as speedily as possible and with their whole heart and soul enter into the full privileges of citizenship not to become political wire-pullers and ward politicians, but, to contribute their share in everything towards improvement and the upbuilding of the laws of the land. As soon as old enough, their children are sent to school and although, the parents are often very poor the education of their children is to them a pride, a necessity—and do they make their mark in the schools? They certainly do, not only in point of intellect, but in deportment. Go through the penitentiaries and jails and how many Jews will you find? This is not due to their schrewdness; it is due to their obedience of the laws of the land. In the arts and sciences they have given to the world so much as to make us their debtors for all time; in literature and music, equally as much and more.

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as "The Rock of Ages." An All-wise Providence takes care of them. Study the Jew, my friends, and if afflicted with that short-sighted prejudice, even yet largely existing against them, this may cause you to lose that prejudice and recognize the Jew henceforth as a fellow man, in all things equal, only differing religiously. All we ask is an equal show and fair play and we will do the rest. A JEW.

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